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- 1. REMAINING SETS OF PORAT STUDY HAVE ARRIVED AND HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO SECRETARIAT. AS EXPERT GROUP AND SECRETARIAT WILL BE WORKING WITH NATIONAL TEAMS, LIKELY THAT SEVERAL FURTHER COPIES PER COUNTRY WILL BE REQUIRED (TWO VOLUME SET ONLY). MISSION SUGGESTS ANOTHER 50, IF THEY CAN BE SPARED, BY SEA-POUCH TO MISSION SCIENCE OFFICE.
- 2. TEXT OF SECRETARIAT LETTER ON NATIONAL FOCAL POINT FOR ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF INFORMATION SECTOR IS GIVEN BELOW: QUOTE. NOMINATION OF NATIONAL FOCAL POINT FOR THE OECD PROJECT ON ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF INFORMATION ACTIVITIES. AT THE MEETING OF THE EXPERT GROUP ON ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF INFORMATION ACTIVITIES JUNE 30TH/JULY 1ST, A "RESEARCH CONSORTIUM" WAS LAUNCHED. THIS CONSORUNCLASSIFIED

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TIUM IN THE FIRST INSTANCE, WILL MEASURE THE "INFORMATION SECTOR" IN TERMS OF LABOUR FORCE AND NATIONAL INCOME ACCOUNTS. SOME GUIDELINES AS TO THE METHODOLOGY TO BE APPLIED ARE LAID OUT IN THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT. IN EFFECTING THIS HIGH PRIORITY PROJECT, IT WAS FELT THAT THE NOMINATION OF A "FOCAL POINT" IN THE MEMBER COUNTRY WOULD BE EXPEDITIOUS. SUCH A "FOCAL POINT" MIGHT

BE AN INDIVIDUAL OR AN INSTITUTION. THE INDIVIDUAL OR INSTITUTION SHOULD POSSESS CONSIDERABLE AUTHORITY AND THEREBY ACCESS TO HUMAN AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO SUPPORT THIS PROJECT IN THE MEMBER COUNTRY. IN ADDITION SUCH A FOCAL POINT WOULD ALSO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATING THE VISIT OF THE OECD CONSULTANT AND THE RESPONSE TO THE QUESTIONNAIRE.

I INVITE YOUR COUNTRY TO NOMINATE SUCH A "FOCAL POINT" FOR THIS PROJECT. END QUOTE.

3. SECRETARIAT WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY NOMINATION. SALZMAN

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